

**CHARTER OF THE TRAINING COUNCIL OF THE
DoD EXECUTIVE COUNCIL FOR MODELS AND SIMULATIONS
(EXCIMS)**

A. MISSION

The mission of the Training Council is to provide expert advice and strategic plans to the DoD EXCIMS on training-related M&S issues. The Training Council shall be the focal point for examining and consolidating information about M&S activities and requirements within the Training functional area. The Council will perform its mission on a not-to-interfere basis vis-a-vis Title X, USC.

B. FUNCTIONS

The Training Council:

1. Serves as a senior level body for matters pertaining to training-related M&S issues.
2. Identifies and integrates M&S requirements within the Training functional community and develops solution strategies, including recommended priorities and investments that have high value return in fulfilling M&S requirements and capabilities.
3. Develops the Training M&S Functional Area Annex to the DoD M&S Master Plan, in coordination with the DoD Components.
4. Maintains visibility for the Training community and promotes discussion of M&S plans and priorities in a consensus- building forum.
5. Shares information with the other Councils.
6. Promotes joint and cooperative research, development, acquisition, and operation of M&S systems, technologies, and capabilities among DoD components.
7. Encourages improved communication and coordination among DoD M&S activities.

C. MEMBERSHIP

1. The Council Co-Chairs shall be members of the EXCIMS. Council members are General/Flag Officers, and civilians of equivalent rank and precedence, who are members of the EXCIMS (or their designated representatives) and who have

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responsibility for Training M&S within their Component. As appropriate, the Council may invite others to participate or become Council members. At a minimum, the following organizations shall be represented on the Training Council:

- a. DUSD (R) (Co-Chair)
- b. Joint Staff (J-7) (Co-Chair)
- c. Joint Warfighting Center
- d. Army
- e. Navy
- f. Air Force
- g. Marine Corps
- h. ODDR&E

2. The Training Council will meet on an as-required basis, as determined by the EXCIMS or the Chair.

D. SUPPORT STRUCTURE

1. A Functional Working Group (FWG) will support the activities of the Training Council and will respond to guidance and direction from the Training Council and the MSWG, as appropriate. The Training FWG also provides a forum for coordination and cooperation in DoD M&S for Training at the working level. The FWG chair will keep the MSWG informed on issues intended for EXCIMS review through the Council, and broad issues that have potential impact outside of the functional area and across the larger M&S community.

2. The membership of the FWG will normally be O-6 military officers or GM/GS-15 grade civilians. The FWG membership shall mirror the organizational makeup of the Training Council. DMSO will represent the DDR&E. Additional membership will be determined by the Council. The MSWG may make FWG membership recommendations to the Council. Members will represent their organization and prepare their principals for Council meetings. The FWG chair shall be a member of the MSWG, appointed by the Training Council Chairs. DMSO will provide administrative support to the Council and the FWG.

3. The FWG chair, with the assistance of DMSO, shall ensure that the following actions are taken in support of Training Council meetings:

- a. Prepare the meeting agenda.
- b. Coordinate briefings for presentation.
- c. Distribute read-ahead materials to the members prior to each meeting.
- d. Maintain a record of each meeting and provide copies of minutes to the EXCIMS, MSWG, and the other Councils.

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e. Establish an action management and tracking system for action items requiring Council and/or EXCIMS approval.

4. The FWG will meet as needed.

5. The Council structure allows for discussion of cross- functional issues between and among the functional communities. The three FWG chairs will meet as appropriate to identify and discuss subjects of mutual interest and to review the items maintained in the tracking and management system. Appropriate issues will be brought before the Councils. The FWG Chairs will coordinate with DMSO to place items on the EXCIMS agenda.

E. TRAINING COUNCIL AREA OF INTEREST

The Training Council will focus primarily on DoD M&S requirements for joint and interservice training. It will guide the development and coordination of joint and interservice training simulation plans and will assess issues relating to DoD training policies, plans, programs, and budgets. Although program management decisions will be outside the Training Council's area of responsibility, it will be necessary to maintain close and open lines of communication with managers of selected joint training simulation programs, such as the Joint Simulation System (JSIMS) and the Synthetic Theater of War (STOW). The Training Council will also support the identification and prioritization of training-related research and development requirements as described in the DoD Modeling and Simulation Master Plan and M&S Investment Strategy.